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Agency Forms Undergoing Paperwork Reduction Act Review

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**Proposed Project**

CDC Early Hearing Detection and Intervention Hearing Screening and Follow-up Survey (OMB No. 0920-0733, Expiration 06/30/2013) - Reinstatement with Change - National Center on Birth Defects and Developmental Disabilities (NCBDDD), Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC)

## Background and Brief Description

The National Center on Birth Defects and Developmental Disabilities at CDC promotes the health of babies, children, and adults with disabilities. As part of these efforts the Center is actively involved in addressing hearing loss (HL) among newborns and infants. HL is a common birth defect that affects approximately 12,000 infants each year and, when left undetected, can result in developmental delays. As awareness about infant HL increases, so does the demand for accurate information about rates of screening, referral, loss to follow-up, and prevalence. This information is important for helping to ensure infants and children are receiving recommended screening and follow-up services, documenting the occurrence of differing degrees of HL among infants, and assessing progress towards national goals. These data will also assist state Early Hearing Detection and Intervention (EHDI) programs with quality improvement activities and provide information that will be helpful in assessing the impact of federal initiatives. The public will be able to access this information via the CDC EHDI website ([www.cdc.gov/ncbddd/hearingloss/ehdi-data.html](http://www.cdc.gov/ncbddd/hearingloss/ehdi-data.html)).

Given the lack of a standardized and readily accessible source of data, the CDC EHDI program developed a survey to be used annually that utilizes uniform definitions to collect

aggregate, standardized EHDI data from states and territories. The request to complete this survey is planned to be disseminated to respondents via an email, which will include a summary of the request and other relevant information. Minor changes to this survey, based on respondent feedback, are planned in order to make the survey easier to complete and further improve data quality. These changes include splitting the previously combined question about the number of infants that were non-residents or moved out of jurisdiction into two separate questions and adding new questions. These include questions about how many infants were in a neonatal intensive care unit for more than 5 days, transferred without any documentation of a hearing screening, unable to be screened or receive diagnostic testing due to a medical reason, number of cases where a primary care physician did not refer an infant for diagnostic testing, and cases of permanent hearing loss among non-resident infants. The table for reporting type and severity of hearing loss data has also been updated so this data can be reported using either the classification system from the American Speech and Hearing Association or the current system from the Directors of Speech and Language Programs in State Health and Welfare Agencies.

A total of 59 respondents will be asked to complete the updated data request each year during the 3-year requested data collection approval timeframe. Based on findings from the previous information collection, it is estimated that the burden for individuals to read through the survey and decide whether or not to complete it is 10 minutes per person. The 10 minute calculation was based on feedback received in pre-tests with 5 individuals and confirmed by the experience with the survey since the original Office of Management and Budget (OMB) approval.

It is expected that 55 of the 59 potential respondents will complete the survey and therefore incur an additional burden of up to 4 hours per respondent. However, based on feedback from consulted experts about the length of time required to complete the original information collection, it is anticipated that it will only take some respondents a few minutes to complete the revised data request. This is because jurisdictions often have already gathered and compiled the requested data for their own internal uses. Nevertheless, the more conservative time estimate of 4 hours per response from each of the 55 anticipated participants is shown in the table below. This estimate is identical to the time estimate for the reinstated OMB approved estimate from 2010; the only change is the estimated number of

respondents. There are no costs to the respondents other than their time. The estimated annualized burden is 230 hours.

Estimated Annualized Burden Hours

Respondents	Form Name	No. of Respondents	No. of Responses per Respondent	Average Burden per response (in hours)
State and territory EHDI Program Coordinators	Survey Directions	59	1	10/60
State and territory EHDI Program Coordinators	Survey	55	1	4

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